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FROM MR. THOMAS NEWTON, JR.¹

NORFOLK Janr. 11—1773.

Superfine flour from 15/6 to 16/8. & the Cash 1/8 Common - Do. - 15/---Do. - Do. Biscuit Stuff 9/ to 10/---Do. - Do. Herrings---12/6—15/ few at market. Indian Corn 11/6—12/6 per Barrell

SIR

Above is the prices current here at this time, if you incline to ship any thing this way I will endeavor to get the highest price going at the time I receive them. you must note that if we sell for ready money dollars pass at six shillings & what we contract for payable at the Courts in Williamsburg is received at the weight if in silver or gold. we have no encouraging markets just now either from the Eastward or West Indies but hope the adventurers will not lose. I am

Yr. Most Hble. Servt. THOMAS NEWTON JR.

¹ Son of Thomas and Amy (Hutchings) Newton, grandson of George and Aphie (Wilson) Newton, was a merchant of very considerable influence in the borough of Norfolk. He was on the county committee in 1775; was appointed one of the board of naval commissioners, May, 1776; was for many years alderman; and in 1786 became mayor of Norfolk. He married Martha Tucker, and had two sons, George, a wealthy citizen of Norfolk, and Hon. Thomas Newton, representative in Congress for thirty years.